

**REMARKS**

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Final Office Action dated November 24, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on February 24, 2005. Applicants submit this response to place the application in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal. Please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Claims 1-26 are pending in the application. Claims 1-26 remain pending following entry of this response. Claims 1, 11 and 17 have been amended. Applicants submit that the amendments do not introduce new matter or raise issues.

**Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 102**

Claims 1-26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being unpatentable over *Montague et al.* (US 5,675,782, hereinafter *Montague*). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection as follows.

"A claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference. *Verdegaal Bros. v. Union Oil Co. of California*, 814 F.2d 628, 631, 2 USPQ2d 1051, 1053 (Fed. Cir. 1987). "The identical invention must be shown in as complete detail as is contained in the ... claim." *Richardson v. Suzuki Motor Co.*, 868 F.2d 1226, 1236, 9 USPQ2d 1913, 1920 (Fed. Cir. 1989). The elements must be arranged as required by the claim. *In re Bond*, 910 F.2d 831, 15 USPQ2d 1566 (Fed. Cir. 1990).

In this case, *Montague* does not disclose "each and every element as set forth in the claim". Specifically, *Montague* does not disclose generating an access document for each user wherein the access document contains the server information for use in connecting to the one or more databases. The Examiner argues that *Montague* discloses generating an access document for each user with respect to an access control list (ACL) at col. 1, lines 63-67 to col. 2, lines 1-10 and col. 11, lines 48-65. However, the cited passages describe how the access control list is utilized conventionally in specifying who has access to an entity and the nature of that access. The cited passages of *Montague* do not disclose generating an access document containing the server information for use in connecting to the one or more databases.

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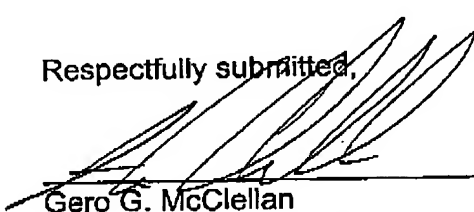
Moreover, *Montague* does not disclose transmitting the respective access document to each user. The Examiner argues that *Montague* discloses that the ACL is accessed (transmitted) by user inquiry at col. 11, lines 48-65. Applicants respectfully disagree. Firstly, since the ACL has been distinguished from an access document as claimed (and described in the specification, e.g., paragraph [0041]), *Montague* does not transmit such access documents. Secondly, Applicants submit that accessing information contained in a document residing in another entity (e.g., the ACL residing in the server to be accessed), is not equivalent to having the document transmitted from the entity.

Accordingly, Applicants submit that *Montague* does not disclose "each and every element as set forth in the claim" and that independent claims 1, 11, and 17 are patentable over *Montague*. Claims 2-10, 12-16, and 18-26 each depend from claims 1, 11, or 17 and, therefore, each contain the same limiting features as independent claim 1. Accordingly, Applicants submit that claims 2-10, 12-16, and 18-26 are each patentable over *Montague*. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

### CONCLUSION

Having addressed all issues set out in the office action, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the claims be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,



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